

# New Features for 2010



Switched-On Online from Alpha Omega Publications® is truly a dynamic, 21st century online curriculum that offers your Christian school the best in Bible-centered academics. With such an innovative format, updates and enhancements are made real-time to Switched-On Online curriculum on a continuous basis, ensuring your teachers and your students receive the latest in state-of-the-art tools and the most current improvements.

## Management Tool Improvements



**Student Batch Options** – You'll love this one! Save time adding and unselecting students in your curriculum. This user-friendly feature allows you to quickly activate or inactivate groups of students.



**Skip Units and Block Quizzes** – Control what you want. Skip an entire unit and block all quizzes with a single click. You may also block student ability to view completed tests and quizzes.



**Time Stamping and Course Progress Updates** – See completion dates and times on every assignment for each student. (Times on reports and on screen are all in Mountain Standard Time.) Course progress percentage and completion dates have been added to teacher and student modes. All projects in a course must be completed for Date Completed to appear.



**Test and Quiz Alerts** – Now it's possible for you to know when a student opens a quiz or test with a new **started** status on the Student Progress Page. When the student has finished, a status of **completed** or **attention** (for items needing teacher grading) will appear. For students, a new alert appears when they enter a test or quiz, helping them understand allowed time limits. If a student exits a test or quiz for any reason, it is marked as **complete**.



**Time-on-Task Report** – If you're wondering how much time your students are really spending studying, this helpful usage summary report helps teacher quickly view amount of time spent on task for each student.



**Powerful Assignment Options** – You choose. Delete custom courses and assignments along with the ability to override all assignment statuses. Assign a student specific courses and the appropriate teacher when initially adding a student. Paragraph and essay questions within assignments have an easy-to-find **reassign** button next to the **answer key** button within the question.



**Project Completion Check** – All unit material must be completed by students before progressing to the next unit. This checkpoint enables students to complete unit projects while material is still fresh and prevents projects from accumulating at the end of the school year.



**Student Help Request Alert** – Answer student questions better. This feature sends an immediate alert to the teacher's message box if a student enters a help request. Better yet, the alert links directly to which assignment the question came from, so teachers can better understand student questions!



**Message System Settings** – To chat or not to chat? Give or remove access as you want! Block student access to the messaging system by either a student level or on an entire school level.

## Navigation Enhancements



**Split Screen Browsing** – This flexible tool allows students to view lesson material on the top portion of the computer screen with the bottom portion displaying questions. Students can resize views as desired. (Available in Safari®, Firefox®, Chrome®, and Internet Explorer® 8.)



**Search Functionality** – Search bar functionality has been added for quick lookup ability for teachers, students, and administration.



**Navigation Button Improvements** – Student progress buttons for **first**, **previous**, **next**, and **last** pages along with page number on Student Progress Page allow for easier navigation. The **finish assignment** button has been moved to the upper right corner of the screen to always be visible to the student. For easier access, the **lesson plan** button is now located on the Grading & Review Page per individual student in the teacher mode.



**Teacher Note Options** – Leaving a note for the teacher is easier for students with a **teacher note** button on the lesson title bar, visible to student from anywhere in the lesson. Students may also click to show or hide their note.



**Feedback Form Changes** – Send us your thoughts! The **page** field has been removed so you can copy and paste the URL (or location) of your feedback comments into the text field of the feedback form. The form now asks for your email and phone number so we can more efficiently respond to you.

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